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PROVISIONAL VERBATIM RECORD OF THE THREE THOUSAND AND EIGHTEENTH MEETING

Held at Headquarters, New York,
on Wednesday, 27 November 1991, at 10.30 a.m.

President:	Mr. MUNTEANU	(Romania)
Members:	Austria	Mr. HOHENFELLNER
	Belgium	Mr. NOTERDAEME
	China	Mr. WANG Guangya
	Côte d'Ivoire	Mr. BECHIO
	Cuba	Mr. ZAMORA RODRIGUEZ
	Ecuador	Mr. AYALA LASSO
	France	Mr. MERIMEE
	India	Mr. GHAREKHAN
	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	Mr. VORONTSOV
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Sir David HANNAY
	United States	Mr. PICKERING
	Yemen	Mr. BASALAMAH
	Zaire	Mr. BAGBENI ADEITO NZENGEYA
	Zimbabwe	Mr. MUMBENGEGWI

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The meeting was called to order at 2.05 p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

LETTER DATED 24 NOVEMBER 1991 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL (S/23239)

LETTER DATED 21 NOVEMBER 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF GERMANY TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL (S/23232)

LETTER DATED 26 NOVEMBER 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF FRANCE TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL (S/23247)

The PRESIDENT: I should like to inform the Council that I have received a letter from the representative of Yugoslavia in which he requests to be invited to participate in the discussion of the item on the Council's agenda. In accordance with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite that representative to participate in the meeting without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Silovic (Yugoslavia) took a place at the Council table.

The PRESIDENT: The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The Security Council is meeting in response to the requests contained in a letter dated 21 November 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council, contained in document S/23232, and a letter dated 26 November 1991 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council, contained in document S/23247, and bearing in mind a letter dated 24 November 1991 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council, contained in document S/23239.

(The President)

Members of the Council have before them document S/23240 containing a letter dated 26 November 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council.

I should also like to draw attention to the following other documents: S/23114, S/23117, S/23136, S/23155, S/23169, S/23181, S/23200, S/23203, S/23214, S/23236, S/23238 and S/23248.

The text of the draft resolution which has been prepared in prior consultations has been distributed to the members of the Council under the symbol S/23245. Taking into account the views expressed at prior consultations and in light of the urgency of the matter under consideration, I have been authorized by the members of the Council to read out the text of the draft resolution:

(The President)

(spoke in French)

"The Security Council,

"Reaffirming its resolution 713 (1991) of 25 September 1991,

"Considering the request by the Government of Yugoslavia for the establishment of a peace-keeping operation in Yugoslavia, as conveyed in the letter of 26 November 1991 addressed by the Permament Representative of Yugoslavia to the President of the Security Council (S/23240),

"Deeply concerned by the fighting in Yugoslavia and by the serious violations of earlier cease-fire agreements, which have caused heavy loss of human life and widespread material damage, and by the consequences for the countries of the region,

"Noting that the continuation and aggravation of this situation constitute a threat to international peace and security,

"Considering also the letter addressed on 24 November 1991 by the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council on the mission of his Personal Envoy to Yugoslavia and the annexed agreement signed in Geneva on 23 November 1991 (S/23239),

"Considering further the fact, as conveyed in the letter addressed on 24 November 1991 by the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council (S/23239), that each one of the Yugoslav participants in the meeting with the Personal Envoy of the Secretary-General stated that they wanted to see the deployment of a United Nations peace-keeping operation as soon as possible,

"1. Approves the efforts of the Secretary-General and his Personal Envoy and expresses the hope that they will pursue their contacts with the Yugoslav parties, as rapidly as possible, so that the

(The President)

Secretary-General can present early recommendations to the Security Council, including for the possible establishment of a United Nations peace-keeping operation in Yugoslavia;

"2. Endorses the statement made by the Personal Envoy of the Secretary-General to the parties that the deployment of a United Nations peace-keeping operation cannot be envisaged without, inter alia, full compliance by all parties with the agreement signed in Geneva on 23 November 1991 and annexed to the letter of the Secretary-General (S/23239);

"3. Strongly urges the Yugoslav parties to comply fully with that agreement;

"4. Undertakes to examine and take appropriate action without delay upon the recommendations of the Secretary-General mentioned above, including in particular any recommendation for the possible establishment of a United Nations peace-keeping operation in Yugoslavia;

"5. Decides to remain actively seized of the matter until a peaceful solution is achieved."

(continued in English)

It is my understanding that the Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution that I have just read out. Unless I hear any objection, I shall put the draft resolution to the vote now. There being no objection, it is so decided.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour: Austria, Belgium, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Ecuador, France, India, Romania, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Yemen, Zaire, Zimbabwe

The PRESIDENT: There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has therefore been adopted unanimously as resolution 721 (1991).

I take it that the Security Council has now concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The Security Council will remain seized of the matter.

The meeting rose at 2.15 p.m.

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PROVISIONAL VERBATIM RECORD OF THE THREE THOUSAND AND NINETEENTH MEETING

Held at Headquarters, New York,
on Friday, 29 November 1991, at 12.30 p.m.

President:	Mr. MUNTEANU	(Romania)
Members:	Austria	Mr. HAJNOCZI
	Belgium	Mr. NOTERDAEME
	China	Mr. LI Daoyu
	Côte d'Ivoire	Mr. SERY
	Cuba	Mr. ALARCON de QUESADA
	Ecuador	Mr. AYALA LASSO
	France	Mr. ROCHEREAU DE LA SABLIERE
	India	Mr. GHAREKHAN
	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	Mr. LOZINSKY
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Sir David HANNAY
	United States	Mr. PICKERING
	Yemen	Mr. AL-ASHTAL
	Zaire	Mr. BAGBENI ADEITO NZENGEYA
	Zimbabwe	Mr. ZENENGA

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The meeting was called to order at 12.30 p.m.

EXPRESSION OF CONGRATULATIONS TO THE REPRESENTATIVE OF ZAIRE

The PRESIDENT: I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate our distinguished colleague and friend the Permanent Representative of Zaire, Ambassador Bagbeni Adeito Nzengeya, on his appointment as Minister for Foreign Affairs of his country. We wish him every success in his new important position in his Government.

Mr. BAGBENI ADEITO NZENGEYA (Zaire) (interpretation from French): Allow me to thank you, Mr. President, for the warm congratulations you addressed to me on my appointment as Minister for Foreign Affairs of my country. I should like to take this opportunity to express to all members of the Council, the Secretary-General and all his colleagues my deep feelings of gratitude for the sincere cooperation they have extended to me during my mandate in the Security Council. Once again, I should like to thank you all and to say what a pleasure it has been for me to work with you in the Council.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON THE UNITED NATIONS DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER FORCE (S/23233 and Corr.1)

The PRESIDENT: The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. Members of the Council have before them the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for the period 21 May to 20 November 1991, as contained in document S/23233 and Corr.1. Members of the Council also have before them a draft resolution, contained in document S/23250, which has been prepared in the course of the Council's consultations.

(The President)

It is my understanding that the Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution before it. Unless I hear any objection, I shall put draft resolution S/23250 to the vote now.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour: Austria, Belgium, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Ecuador, France, India, Romania, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Yemen, Zaire, Zimbabwe

The PRESIDENT: There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 722 (1991).

In connection with the resolution just adopted on the renewal of the mandate of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force, I have been authorized to make the following complementary statement on behalf of the Security Council:

"As is known, the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/23233 and Corr.1) states, in paragraph 24:

"'Despite the present quiet in the Israel-Syria sector, the situation in the Middle East as a whole continues to be potentially dangerous and is likely to remain so, unless and until a comprehensive settlement covering all aspects of the Middle East problem can be reached.'

"That statement of the Secretary-General reflects the view of the Security Council."

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on the agenda.

The meeting rose at 12.40 p.m.